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DR. VANDE BOGART'S RESIGNATION ASKED



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Burns Opens Greek Dike

An official Greek slate is no more. That is the statement which was issued at the close of a special interfraternity council meeting last night.

The absence of any co-ordinated independent opposition was the reason advanced by the council for the withdrawal of a fraternity slate set up at last week's meeting. "The houses are free to run other candidates than those listed on the interfraternity slate at last week's meeting," Bob Burns, Butte, county president said.

This departure of Interfraternity council from active participation,

as one of the principal factors in campus politics, follows closely on last week's announcement that the Independent Students association had folded up shop and would not run an official slate in the Abernethy primaries.

And the Floods Came

The withdrawal of the two groups leaves the political field wide open. The Greek houses may now independently run as many candidates as they desire. This is in sharp contrast to the situation of two years ago when Sigma Nu was expelled from Interfraternity council for entering Jim Lucas, Miles City, in the race for business

manager in opposition to the official Interfrat candidates.

Interfrat's action does not mean that the council has withdrawn from future campus political races, Burns said, in that the member's constituting one year's board do not have the power to bind the councils of succeeding years.

Relinquishment

By its action last night, Interfrat withdrew completely its controlling position in campus politics and will not prevent the fraternities from running candidates for any position, whether previously allotted to Panhel candidates or not. Candidates, whether running

Selke Cites Havre Head As 'Non-Cooperative'; Six Vote for Dismissal

Helena.—(UP)—The Montana Board of Education by a six-to-four vote late today fired Dr. G. H. Vande Bogart as president of Northern Montana college at Havre.

The board's action was announced by board secretary Mary M. Condon, state superintendent of public instruction. The ouster is effective June 30.

Non-Cooperation

Miss Condon said the Northern Montana college head was dismissed on recommendation of university chancellor Dr. George A. Selke for "non-cooperation"—although Dr. Selke made no specific charges against Vande Bogart.

Dr. Selke asked the board not to rehire Vande Bogart, saying his recommendation also represented the views of all of the other unit heads except President A. G. Peterson of Eastern Montana College of Education.

Voting not to rehire Vande Bogart were board members Mrs. Agnes Ullman of Big Timber,

Out-of-state tuition for MSU and MSC non-residents was decreased from \$100 to \$50 by authorization of the state board of education at Helena yesterday. The change becomes effective July 1, 1950.

The board of education also approved the MSU budget for the coming year which will allow the issuance of contracts to faculty members within the next two days, according to word received from Pres. James A. McCain, who is attending the Helena meet.

Additional action included waiving non-resident fees for 11 foreign students and authorizing a high school journalism week to be held during the summer.

George N. Lund of Reserve, Charles S. Baldwin of Kalispell, Mrs. F. H. Petro of Miles City, G. A. Bosley of Great Falls and G. M. Brandborg of Hamilton.

Vote No

Voting "no, until a hearing to air specific charges is held" were ex-officio board members Governor John W. Bonner and Miss Condon, plus member Horace Dwyer of Anaconda.

Voting "unqualified no" on the ouster proposal was Attorney General Arnold H. Olsen.

The board, Miss Condon said, at first approved Vande Bogart's request for a hearing, but it later rescinded its approval of a hearing by the same six to four vote by which it ousted the Havre school head.

Board members said that Dr. Selke told the board that if the group refused to discharge Vande Bogart, he "could go downstairs (please see page two)

Antigone Fares Well

By WELDON NIVA

Last night's performance of Antigone by the Masquers was one that will remain in the minds of those who witnessed it. Antigone is a spirit of a modern play, in that it is as much meaning now as it was 2,000 years ago. The Fitts and Fitzgerald translation imparted a direct but poetic dialogue. Although the cast visibly suffered from nervousness in attempting the difficult work, it ended in a creditable job.

Joan Hardin appeared in the title role, and displayed the proper feeling of Antigone. Mary Maurer, Irene, lived her part well as a passionate, imploring sister. The chorus was a work of art. Its importance to the drama is immeasurable, for it had a graceful, mood-creating background. Jim Ward distinguished himself as an actor of promising capabilities, and each member of the chorus deserves praise.

Jesper Jensen did a superb job substituting for Carroll O'Connor as Creon. Though he did not act as violent and insolent at first as might be expected of so positive a tyrant, he showed the idea of

balance by withholding the tempest of emotion more effectively for the end of the play.

Cyrus Noe acted as Sentry, both in diction and bodily movement with able naturalness, and Lauren Buck as Haimon, son of Creon, successfully conveyed his composure and rationality as opposed to his final despair.

Don Lichtwardt, led on-stage by Joel Fleming in the role of Teiresias, again distinguished himself as an actor of promise. He represented the blind seer with virtually flawless accuracy and his prophecy of doom to proud Creon was professionally done.

Dorothy Ross made a novel portrayal of Eurydice, the grief-stricken, silent wife of Creon. Her stately bearing and unruffled demeanor while the news of her son's death was being announced by Richard Haag, the messenger, seemed natural, and without a word, she made an exit to end her life.

The scene was before Creon's palace at Thebes, and was overshadowed with gray, a color well suited to tragedy as the movie Hamlet attests. The massive stone surroundings were also impressive in cold austerity.

Air General John E. Upston Inspects University ROTC

Major Gen. John E. Upston, commanding general of the Fourth Air Force, visited the ROTC department and Dr. R. H. Jesse, University vice-president yesterday. In a short talk with Dr. Jesse, General Upston expressed pleasure with the Air ROTC department and said that he hopes more students will take advantage of the advanced courses in that department.

General Upston arrived in Missoula by plane from Moscow, Idaho, where he conferred with reserve training officers at the University of Idaho. This was his second visit to Montana in a year and he said

he found Montana very pleasant. He will leave tomorrow at 8 a.m. for Great Falls to meet the Montana National Guard adjutant. He is making this air tour to become acquainted with reserve units and their commanders.

Col. E. D. Porter, head of the ROTC department on the campus, and Maj. N. E. James, head of the Air ROTC department here, conducted General Upston and Lt. Col. William Landford on a tour of the ROTC building.

A banquet for military personnel of the ROTC department and the Missoula reserve units will be given in General Upston's honor tonight.

Central Board In Action on Fund Requests

The lack of a yardstick kept Central board wandering in circles yesterday. Another organization, the MSU Debate and Oratory association, made a request for more greenbacks but the board had no gauge to use in determining whether or not the particular group was entitled to them.

As it turned out, no decision was needed, because Central board is almost broke anyway. Dave Freeman, ASMSU business manager, said that every dollar left in the general fund already had a tag on it, and that any money given to the debater's would have to be taken from some other group.

The money requested, about \$200, was to help finance the debate team's trip to the national tournament at West Point. The board didn't give them the money, but offered to let them borrow from the reserve fund with the understanding that it be deducted from their next year's budget. No decision was reached at yesterday's meeting.

Another Drain

The status of the sport of riflery caused the next bundle of confusion. At the request of the athletic department, riflery was dropped as a minor sport. However, the question of whether it would remain as an ASMSU function, possibly as an intramural sport, was left for discussion at a later meeting.

Here, again, Central board was groping for a measuring device to determine whether or not they were justified in allocating student funds for the support of an activity—in this case, riflery.

One of the members suggested that the board work out a definite policy on such matters, rather than dole out money to whomever could show the greatest need for it, but there was no further discussion on it.

Crowder Travels To West Coast

Dean John Crowder of the School of Music left Sunday for Tacoma and Portland where he will examine the qualifications of two schools for the National Association of Schools of Music, National Accrediting agency.

After leaving Portland, Crowder will proceed to Spokane where during the latter part of this week, he will conduct a meeting of state chairmen of the Northwest Division of the Music Educators National Conference Piano committee. Crowder is chairman of the Northwest division.

Crowder returned last week from San Francisco where he examined a school for accreditation by the NASM. He also addressed the annual convention of the Arizona State music teachers' association.

Play Day Project Planned for Kids

An organized play day program for the school children of Missoula county is a major project of students in the university gymnastics course this quarter, Charles F. Hertler, physical education department chairman, said yesterday.

The play day is scheduled for April 28 this year and more than 400 children are expected to participate. The program consists of a singing and dancing program at the Student Union in the morning and a planned program of play activities in the afternoon.

Original Distribution Asked In Building Fund Dispute

Helena, April 11—(UP)—A delegation has urged the Montana Board of Education to refuse to compromise in the \$5 million dollar university building fund dispute. The delegation, headed by Ken Byerly of Lewistown, commended the board for standing firm on its original recommenda-

tions for distribution of the \$5 million dollars.

The dispute arose after the state board of examiners allocated money in the fund in proportions different from those recommended by the board of education. The fund is now tied up by an injunction order arising from court litigation in the dispute.

There's No Joy in Havre Now

The big bond squabble blew its top yesterday, and a good deal of the dirty linen in Montana's system of education is now scattered in full view of the public. The state board of education took extreme and unpleasant action in its Helena meeting. But at last, a definite step has been taken to clear up the state's snarled and politics-ridden program of higher education.

It is unfortunate that the situation should have progressed as far as it has. Unfortunate that the chancellor and three unit presidents should be driven to the point of publicly threatening to resign unless action were instituted against another member.

But some such action was necessary. When a state's educational system is smothered in politics and personal ambitions to the extent that not only the schools and students suffer but the people of the state are divided, a

decisive move is imperative.

The bond affair has colored several other state issues. Other political matters have become entwined in university activities as a result of the attempt to play politics with the welfare of Montana's education program. It may be a long time before the smell of these messy things finally leaves us.

We can only hope that it will be forgotten and that from this experience Montanans will have learned a lesson. There is not room for politics in education. If there is any field of social behavior that should be above deals and personal ambitions, education is that field.

The bond issue is far from settled even now. The wearisome court fight still awaits action. Yet this move of the education board may go far toward letting a little air into the suffocating atmosphere which now exists.—D.G.

Familiar Wound Reopened

By CYRUS NOE

The action taken yesterday by the state board of education regarding Dr. G. H. Vande Bogart, president of Northern Montana college, is the most decisive step yet taken in clearing up the dispute over \$5 million in university system building funds.

In the eight-plus months since the state board of examiners first tied the knot that has held up the electorate-approved bond money, this is the first action taken by the board of education showing real fight.

It was the board of education's judgment as to how the funds should be spent that the examiners gainsaid last June 30 when they rescinded the university system pie, tilting the scales in favor of Northern Montana college.

Original Allocations

The whole story is this. The first division of the money, which was approved by referendum of the voters of Montana at elections Nov. 2, 1948, was made after two sessions of the board of education. About the middle of June, the board of education made its announcement.

The allocations were as follows: Montana State University, \$1,900,000; Montana State college, \$1,700,000; Montana School of Mines, \$325,000; Western Montana college, \$275,000; Eastern Montana college,

\$300,000; and Northern Montana college, \$500,000.

It was felt at the two larger schools that this fractioning was not quite as equitable as it could have been; they had been counting on \$2 million apiece for building programs sorely neglected for many years. But they made no official protest. Officials at MSU and MSC were content to take the board of education's judgment.

Examiners Move In

Then the board of examiners took a seven-league stride onstage. Normally acting as a watchdog and body-of-review over the Montana exchequer, the majority of the three-man board decided the division was unfair. It redivided the money.

Attorney General Arnold H. Olsen and Secretary of State Sam Mitchell made the change, over the opposition of the third member, Gov. John Bonner.

The new allocations were MSU, \$1,500,000; MSC, \$1,300,000; Western, \$75,000; Eastern, \$600,000; and Northern, \$1,200,000. The School of Mines was left unchanged.

Protests Arise

A storm of protest, non-partisan in nature, welled up from all corners of the state and spilled out on the pages of the press and onto the airplanes.

Soon legal action was in sight. Mrs. Dorothy Overturf, MSU alumna and Montana taxpayer from Helena, sought and obtained an injunction enjoining the examiners from spending the money as they had redivided it. District Judge George Padbury ordered the examiners to appear and show cause why it should not be made permanent.

Then began a series of postponements and continuances that has lasted to this hour. Week after week, from the original hearing slated for September of last year, the legal marathon dragged on.

Action Group Formed

In the meantime, a group of Montana men and women, tired of the exhausting inaction, formed the Montana Council for Higher Education. The group, again a non-partisan body, elected Ken Byerly, publisher of the Lewis-

Dr. Vande Bogart Given the Boot

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in the capitol building and get three unit presidents who would join him in resigning from the university system."

Presidents Threaten

The presidents Dr. Selke named were Dr. James A. McCain of Montana State University, Dr. R. R. Renne of Montana State College and Rush Jordan of Western Montana College of Education.

Asked for comment on the ouster, Vande Bogart said his comment would come later.

This was taken as an indication by some observers that Vande Bogart may go to court in an effort to hold his job.

Board members said that the board was within its right not to re-hire Vande Bogart as a president if it chose to do so.

Olsen and Dwyer were bitter about the dismissal of the Northern Montana College president.

They said: "No charges were presented and no hearing was held; he was hung before a trial."

Founded Northern College

Dr. Vande Bogart was brought to Montana from Minnesota in 1929 to found the two-year college which he has headed ever since.

He said tonight: "I took a pasture land and during the past 21 years developed a physical plant valued at half a million dollars."

Before world war one, Dr. Vande Bogart taught for six years at Helena high school. He returned from the war and taught one more year at Helena before going to Minnesota to become dean of Rochester Junior College.

After five years at Rochester, Vande Bogart became dean of Hibbing Junior college at Hibbing, Minn., a post he held until returning to Montana to found Northern Montana College.

town Daily News, its president. Joseph Kinsey Howard, Montana author and long-time newspaperman in the state, was placed in charge of the publicity campaign to right the situation.

Recently a proposition came before concerned persons to release that amount of funds not affected by the examiners' division. It was this prospect that has been the signal phase of the dispute for some weeks. Byerly and Olsen talked before the board of education on the matter yesterday.

With the board's action against Vande Bogart, the biggest thorn in the side of centralized education in the state is gone. The road toward settlement stretches ahead.

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Letters to the Editor . . .

CONOVER ANSWERS

Dear Editor:

The recent letter submitted by Mr. Rutledge was slightly biased. Even so, the letter omitted a few details.

During Mr. Rutledge's kingly reign, the ISA debt not only increased but more than doubled and unless economics react drastically the organization is hopelessly in debt. A New Deal program—deficit spending—was followed by Mr. Rutledge and as the ISA is not the USA it was strangled financially.

At the meetings I held fall quarter the old members who supposedly had shown such strong interest and drive—i.e. Mr. Rutledge—were conspicuous by their absence. As I had not permitted any more spending by the organization, I found myself personally charged with all sorts of items appropriated by others.

The group simply existed and did nothing but try to increase its debt. Since when, Mr. Rutledge, are under 10 people representative of hundreds?

I also ask the editor to check the facts by asking former ISA members—if he can find any.

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Silvertip Cinder Season Opens Saturday Against Strong WSC Crew

Washington State college's track and field, 22 strong, will leave Pullman, Wash., Friday for Missoula for a dual meet with Montana's Silvertips Saturday.

Selecting Coach Robert Campbell have Clem Eischen, record-setting distance runner, and Frank Foot, Cougar grid and track standout, among his contingent.

Montana last won a dual meet in Washington State, 25 years ago. The Cougars have plenty of sophomores to back up their veteran reserves.

At Pullman on March 18 Dick Pullman, Grizzly track captain, shattered his 1948 fieldhouse discus record with a toss of 158 feet, 8 1/2 inches. Washington State won that official meet with its team taking 11 first places and gaining one out of 15 events. Officials had decided before the meet that no official team points would be awarded. The Montana team finished second in the unofficial tabulation.

John Badgley of Montana took fourth in the broad jump finals, and Johnny Higgins of WSC took first place.

Coach Injured
Coach Jack Mooberry was unable to give his squad his attention as he was hit by a shot-put while watching runners on the track field this spring. His nose and jaw were broken in the mishap. Eischen will enter the half-mile and relay, while Polesfoot will run in the low and high hurdles. Deck will be entered in the 100 and two-mile events, and Bob Bridge, former Pacific Coast champion, who has already stepped 100 miles in 9:57, will enter that event.

Sophomores Entered
Sophomores entered for the Cougars are Chuck Millard and Don Brundage in the quarter-mile, Mike Nelson and Roy Tyrrell in the javelin, and Bob Swearin in the weights. Higgins, who took first in the official meet in March, will be the Cougar standout in the broad jump. Battuck, a pole vaulter with a

Yes Elected Prexy
Ski Club Meeting
at Hayes, Potomac, was elected club president at a meeting last night. Louis Penwell, Billings, was elected vice-president; and Shirley Kown, Seattle, is the new secretary-treasurer of the club. The new officers will be installed at the beginning of fall quarter. The club members voted to have a picnic this quarter. The date will be announced later. The club is also undertaking the project of placing a trophy case in the student Union for the display of club trophies.



LATEST HITS JUST IN!
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New Officers Elected By Alpha Phi Omega

Herbert Waltermire, Missoula, was elected president of Alpha Phi Omega, national service fraternity, Wednesday.

Other officers elected are Bob Nicholson, Hamilton, vice-president; Mickey Howard, East Liverpool, Ohio, recording secretary; Dane Butler, Livingston, corresponding secretary; Dick Hansen, Oshkosh, Wis., alumni secretary; Ivan Howard, Stevensville, treasurer; Jerry Levine, Pine Ridge, S. D., historian; and Bill Bethke, Butte, sergeant at arms.

There will be an open meeting tonight in the Copper room at 7 and all former scouts who are interested in service to the school may attend. Janet Blessing, Billings, will show a moving picture of Melita island, senior scout base for the West.

Phi Delt Swim Laurels Go on Block Thursday

Phi Delta Theta will defend its 1949 intramural swimming crown in the university pool Thursday and Friday. Heats will be run Thursday for all events with more than five entries. Friday will see the finals in every race where eliminating heats are necessary.

Six events will be run, with a trophy and 100 intramural points going to the winning team. Each team will be allowed to enter four men in each event and only one relay team may be entered from each organization. No contestant may participate in more than three events.

The six events and last year's winners are the 40-yard free style, won by Mike Fleming of the ATO's in 22.1 seconds; the 80-yard free style, won by Owen Wilson of Jumbo in 51.5; the 80-yard back stroke, won by Jim Thornfield of

South hall in 1:04; the 80-yard breast stroke, won by Dick Willey of Theta Chi in 1:14.2; the 160-yard free style relay, won by South hall in 1:33.9; and the 60-yard medley relay, won by the Phi Delt in 35.0 flat.

Excluding the two relay events, points will be scored as follows: first place, six; second place, four; third place, three; fourth place, two; and fifth place, one. First place in the relay events will be worth eight points with the other places following with six, four, three, and two points.

Names will be drawn from a hat to determine the heat and lane each swimmer will race in. Officials for the meet will be members of the varsity swimming team, Cole said.

The pool will be open Monday and Wednesday for those wishing to practice.

SOFTBALL PLAYERS WANTED

Off-campus men who are interested in playing softball this season are asked to meet in room 303 of the men's gym today at 4:00.

Anyone interested but unable to attend may call 5726 after 6 p.m.

RADIO GUILD MEETING

The MSU Radio guild will meet in the Main hall auditorium at 7:30 tonight, Ansel Resler, Guild faculty advisor, announced.

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Big Wheels Slated for Job Clinic

H. T. Engstrom, assistant personnel director, Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph company, will be the keynote speaker for the first annual job clinic, that convenes here Thursday.

The conclave will get underway at 1:15 at the Student Union auditorium.

Engstrom will speak on, "What the business man expects of the college graduate."

About 53 people, leaders in their respective fields, will head the many sub-panels listed under the main panels of business, science, education, and general.

Rodeo Team Trials to End

Tryouts for the university's rodeo team will be completed sometime this week, according to Don Harrington, Butte, Rodeo club president. The six finalists will represent this school in the forthcoming intercollegiate rodeo on May 7.

"We were very lucky in securing the services of Ralph Stanton and Bob Nelson to judge the various events," Harrington said. "Stanton has been in every major rodeo in the country and Nelson was named all-around cowboy at last year's Missoula stampede. Bob Rooker, nationally famous trick rider and roper, has been chosen to announce the events," he said.

Considerable interest in the rodeo has been shown, Harrington said. The various living groups are already considering their contestants in the wild cow milking contest and many Missoula merchants have donated trophy buckles, he added.

Personnel Needed For Production

People interested in working on promotion for the "Barber of Seville" are asked to see Gene Kallgren at Simpkins hall between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. Typists and office personnel are especially needed. The "Barber of Seville" is a recognized university function, and freshmen working on it may gain Spur and Bear Paw points.

Montana State college is located at Bozeman, Montana, a circumstance which few question.

MSU Drafts Canyon Ferry Salvage Plan

An allocation of \$2,500 by the national park service will enable Montana State University to do a thorough job of salvage and removal of archeological, historical, and paleontological specimens from the Canyon Ferry flowage area, according to Carl I. Malouf, assistant professor of anthropology, one of the MSU scientists who studied the area last year.

The park service, which has the responsibility of preserving information in archeology in connection with river basin development work, uses established research agencies to do the job. Malouf said the arrangement not only provides funds for the work but also assures that historical specimens recovered will remain in Montana.

The project, which involves a study of about 35,000 acres, will take about two months and will begin as soon as spring quarter classes end.

A small party of students may be used in the field work, Malouf said. Students from any unit of the Montana State University system may apply. They need not be anthropology students, he added.

KMON Joins Group In MSU Broadcasts

Station KMON in Great Falls joins the list of seven Montana radio stations featuring programs originating at MSU, Andy Cogswell said today.

The half-hour program featuring music school faculty and students starts at 5 p.m. Saturday and will be heard at the same time each week for eight or nine weeks.

Three programs in news, music, and the Montana Spotlight show are now being aired over eight stations including the Z-bar network, KGVO in Missoula, and KXLO in Lewistown.

PHI ALPHA THETA MEETING TONIGHT

A meeting of Phi Alpha Theta, history honorary, will take place at the University museum tonight at 7:45. Art Butin announced yesterday. Dr. Paul C. Phillips will be the host and refreshments will be served.

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Journalism Fraternity Meets Thursday

Sigma Delta Chi, professional journalism fraternity, will meet at 5:30 this evening in the Bitterroot room of the Student Union, Al Pfeffer, Rochester, N. Y., president of the fraternity, announced.

An important business meeting will be conducted following the regular meal, Pfeffer said. He urged all actives and pledges to attend.

LORY ATTENDS MEETING

Dr. Earl C. Lory, professor of chemistry, is attending the annual meeting of the American Chemical Society at Philadelphia as representative of the University.

Dr. Lory left Missoula Friday with James W. Maucker, dean of the education school. Dean Maucker left the United States for Europe Monday aboard the "Flying Cloud." Dr. Lory is expected to turn to Missoula next week.

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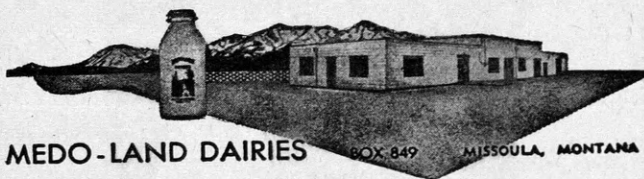
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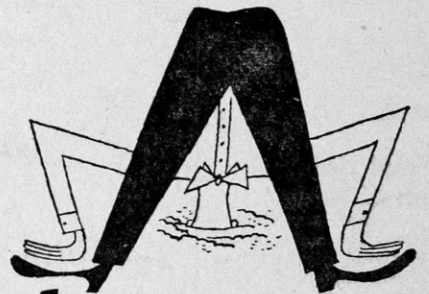
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